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**CARRIER AND METHOD**

This invention relates to carriers, and manufacturing methods, and particularly to hand-held carriers and methods used in carrying and distributing foods, including beverages, and other objects such as cylindrical or other containers, and further relates to advertising means and methods using such carriers and methods.

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A problem of long standing is that of distributing food from distribution stands, stores, restaurants, etc., to people to carry to a distant site at which the food is to be eaten. It is difficult for one to carry much more than one or two beverage cups, or one cup and one item of solid food, if only the hands are available for use in carrying the food.

Food carriers are used when more substantial quantities of food must be carried. However, because the carriers must be relatively low in cost, they usually are